GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
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HOMELESS SC/ST FAMILIES
RAM SHAKAL

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of the families belonging to scheduled castes and scheduled tribes living in rural, urban areas and metros who do not have their own house/residential facility as per the statistics collected by the National Buildings Organisation; and

(b) the specific steps being taken by the Government to provide residential facilities to such families?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI PON RADHAKR)

(a): National Buildings Organisation does not collect information on Scheduled Castes/ Scheduled Tribes houseless families in rural/urban areas and Metros.

(b): One of the aims of the National Housing and Habitat Policy 1998 is to meet the special needs of Scheduled Castes/ Scheduled Tribes. However, since Housing is a State subject it is the responsibility of the State Governments to draw up housing schemes for the Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes families.